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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Fulton – Suspicious Device Detonated at PG&E Substation in Fulton

(U) Authorities have blown up a suspicious device that was found near a Pacific Gas & Electric Co. substation in Northern California but it is unclear whether it contained explosives. A PG&E worker found the device yesterday afternoon outside of the Fulton substation in Sonoma County. The Sheriff's Department says the device appeared to be two pieces of metal about 18 to 24 inches long, connected by a wire. A bomb squad blew up the device as a precaution at about 6 p.m. The Sheriff's Department says there is no longer any danger.

SOURCE: 4 October 2018, [Associated Press](#)

(U) Willits – 52 Arrested in Statewide Marijuana Raids Target Illegal Grows

(U) Law enforcement officials raided illegal marijuana grow sites around the state, arresting 52 people in a months-long operation aimed at stemming California's still-booming black market for pot, officials announced yesterday. The 12-week takedown was part of state Attorney General Xavier Becerra's Campaign Against Marijuana Planting, which goes after pot growers who continue to flout regulations following the legalization of marijuana in California last year. So far this year, state officials have eradicated 614,267 plants in more than 254 illegal grow sites around California, according to the attorney general's office. The latest crackdown was conducted by four teams of agents from multiple jurisdictions fanning out around 39 California counties, including several in the Bay Area.

SOURCE: 4 October 2018, [The San Francisco Chronicle](#)

(U) Oakland – Sweeping Gang Investigation Nets 12 Arrests for Guns and Drugs

(U) Police arrested at least 12 people and issued 16 search warrants in a sprawling criminal gang operation based out of West Oakland, authorities said yesterday. Officials from the Oakland Police Department and other local law enforcement agencies began issuing the warrants early yesterday morning, and more arrests were expected throughout the day, acting Deputy Chief Roland Holmgren said. The warrants include a range of crimes committed in Oakland and beyond, Holmgren said, including weapons offenses, burglary and murder. Investigators recovered several weapons and a "large quantity" of narcotics, Holmgren said.

SOURCE: 4 October 2018, [The San Francisco Chronicle](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Arizona – Two Arrested After 11 Undocumented Migrants Found in Truck Bed

(U) Nogales – US Border Patrol agents arrested two people after finding undocumented immigrants in the bed of their pickup truck on the night of 2 October in southern Arizona, officials said. The two arrested are both 17-year-old males and US citizens, US Customs and Border Protection said in a news release. They are suspected of attempting to smuggle a group of undocumented migrants, who were found at a Border Patrol checkpoint on Interstate 19 north of Nogales in a stolen Ford F-250, the release said. Two immigrants were in the rear seat and five more were in the truck bed under a cover, officials

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said. All are Mexican nationals. CBP said the truck had been reported stolen from Marana. It was turned over to the Pima County Sheriff's Department.

SOURCE: 4 October 2018, [AZ Central](#)

(U) NATIONAL**(U) Massachusetts – Dozens Arrested in Federally Led Operation Clean Sweep**

(U) Boston – Dozens of individuals were arrested yesterday on federal drug, firearms, and immigration offenses, as well as state warrants. In addition, 11 criminal aliens were arrested and will be processed administratively. Yesterday's sweep, netting more than 35 in and around the City of Lawrence, is part of the Department of Justice's Project Safe Neighborhood Initiative (PSN), which aims to bring together all levels of law enforcement to reduce violent crime. As part of yesterday's sweep, approximately 35 defendants were charged with federal and state offenses, and nine are still at large. Eleven criminal aliens were arrested by ICE and will be processed administratively for removal from the United States, and 13 are currently at large.

SOURCE: 4 October 2018, [Department of Justice Press Release](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL**(U) Canada – Burgerville Reports Data Breach Could Affect Thousands**

(U) Vancouver – Vancouver-based Burgerville says thousands of customers' credit and debit card information may have been compromised during a cyberattack. The officials with the fast-food chain say anyone who used plastic to pay at its restaurants from September 2017 through last week should watch their card statements for unauthorized charges. The chain also recommends customers obtain a copy of their credit report to look for unauthorized information and consider freezing their credit. Burgerville said it learned of the breach from the FBI late in August although the chain didn't acknowledge the issue until 3 October.

SOURCE: 4 October 2018, [Associated Press](#)

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